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SUBJECT: COMMERICAL PRESENCE FAIR: TUNIS
MONTHLY REPORT

REF: USDOC 4081, TUNIS 1725, OM DATED FEB 5, 1975

FOR CAGNE: R. VIGNEAULT

1. DUE PRESS OF BUSINESS END FEBRUARY, NO MONTHLY REPORT WAS SUBMITTED.
2. PLANNING CONTINUES TO GO WELL. EXTERIOR SPACE HAS BEEN FULLY COMMITTED WITH ENLARGED AREA FOR ETS. PARRENIN PLUS 150 SQUARE METERS FOR AGRIMOTR., FORD TRACTOR AGENT. ONE INTERIOR STAND HAS CHANGED: SHERATON REPLACED BY LOCAL AGENT FOR ANCHOR HOCKING GLASSWARE.
3. RENOVATION OF PAVILION BEGINNING MARCH 31. BIDS RECEIVED FOR PAINTING, MASONRY WORK, DESIGN AND COMPANY HEADERS ALL WELL WITHIN BUDGET. COPIES OF PURCHASE ORDERS WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH FINAL REPORT. CONTRACT COSTS FOR GUARD SERVICES WITHING BUDGET.
4. TUNIS 1725 RESPONDS USDOC 4081 REGARDING ACCOUNTABILITY QUESTIONS. REQUEST NECESSARY ALLOCATION FOR HOSPITALITY AND REPRESENTATIONAL EXPENDITURES PER OM DATED 2/5/75.

5. DURING VISIT U/SEC TABOR, POSSIBILITY RAISED OF

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HIGH LEVEL USDOC OR STATE OFFICIALS VISITING TUNIS FOR

OPENING OF FAIR (MAY 16) OR AMERICA DAY (MAY 20).
REALIZE SPECIAL TRIP UNLIKELY, BUT BELIEVE SUCH VISIT
OF SUFFICIENT VALUE TO WARRANT STOP BY APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL
IN THE AREA (EUROPE OR MIDDLE EAST) AT THE TIME.

6. IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE AIR POUCH A SELECTION OF SMAWL
U.S.A. GIFT ITEMS (E.G. EAGLE TIE PINS, BALL POINT PENS,
KEY CHAINS AS USED IN SAVINGS BOND CAMPAIGNS) FOR USE
WITH EXHIBITORS, PAVILION EMPLOYEES AND FAIR OFFICIALS.
SELECTION OF 125 ITEMS SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT.

7. EMBASSY APPRECIATES USDOC ASSISTANCE WITH RITTER
AND FORD MOTOR COMPANY. FORD AGENT HERE HAS RECEIVED
GO-AHEAD FROM FORD AS RESULT YOUR CONTACT. RITTER AREA
REP VISITED TUNIS AND INITIALLY WAS NOT ENTUSIASTIC
ABOUT HIS AGENTS PLANS FOR FAIR. AFTER SOME EXPLANATIONS,
HE AGREED TO ASSIST. (FYI - RITTER MISTAKENLY SHIPPED
DENTAL EQUIPMENT FOR LEFT-HANDED DENTISTS, LEAVING
THAT CASE OBIOUSLY OPEN).
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